

BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS

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William A. Judge, Chairman

Robert A. Bourque

John E. Murray, Jr.

MINUTES OF MEETING

The regular meeting of the Board of License Commissioners was held on October 19, 2009 in the Veterans Memorial Room, City Hall, Fitchburg, and called to order by Chairman William Judge at 6:00 PM. Commissioners Robert Bourque and John Murray were present.

I. REVIEW AND ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING.

The minutes of the meetings held on September 23, 2009 and October 5, 2009 were reviewed, approved and signed.

II. NEW APPLICATIONS

Joan David for Special One Day All Alcoholic Beverages License for a Dance from 7:30PM to 11:30PM on November 7, 2009 at St. Joseph Parish Hall, 49 Woodland St.

Approved 3/0

St. Anthony School for Special One Day Wine and Malt Beverages License for a Turkey Raffle from 6PM to 10PM on November 7, 2009 at St. Francis Church Hall.

Approved 3/0

Silhouette, LLC d/b/a Club Confidential, 480 Water St. for Change of Location and Change of DBA to d/b/a of "This Side", 432 John Fitch Highway.

Chairman Judge reported that Mr. Hoover called him earlier today to say he was busy tonight, would not attend the meeting and would be in touch with the Board regarding the application.

III. OTHER

- FPD Officer Paul McNamara and LUK Representatives to discuss compliance check guidelines.
Officer McNamara and Josh Tackett from LUK were present. They reported that they have new compliance check guidelines that are very similar to the existing guidelines that are currently in the License Commission regulations. He stated that they are applying for a grant that will fund the following basic areas of compliance checks: Underage stings and compliance checks; Cops and Shops programs; Party Patrols; Shoulder Tap and Sticker Shock programs; Surveillance Patrols.
Chairman Judge emphasized that whatever regulations they use they should not have adults accompanying minors in to establishments during compliance check activities and that if two minors participate in a check then both minors should have their own ID's.
Officer McNamara and Mr. Tackett stated that they would submit the grant application package to the License Board for review prior to it being submitted to the funding source.
- Taxi Driver Applications

None.

Any other matter that may come before the License Commission as time permits
Chairman Judge noted that although the license transfer was approved by the ABCC on August 27, 2009, there has been no further action, that the Board is aware of, on the part of Guibe Flores d/b/a Venues at 14, 16, 18 Putnam St. to open the establishment. The Clerk was instructed to summons in Ms. Flores to discuss the status of the establishment.

Police reports 09-31217 and 09-31199 were distributed.

Letter from Peter Cote was received and read. The letter requests that he be allowed to open Beemer's Pub without a kitchen, as was originally planned. Mr. Cote was present to discuss his request.

At 7:00 PM the meeting was recessed in order to drive to and reconvene at Beemer's Pub in order to inspect the work that has been done thus far on the establishment.

The Commissioners reconvened at Beemer's Pub. After discussion with Mr. Cote he agreed to send a letter to the Board stating that he would have the kitchen open by June 1, 2010 or he would close the establishment. Further discussion was continued to the November 4, 2009 meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Anna M. Farrell, Clerk

Approved:

William A. Judge
Jr.

Robert A. Bourque

John E. Murray,